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## Mayor of New York in Fight With Catholics.

John Purroy Mitchell, mayor of New York, may be utterly wrong, but he has the courage of the Brandenburg division, or the Foreign legion; he has determined to sever the relations between state and church as represented by the contributions that New York city makes to charitable enterprises conducted under private and church auspices. Naturally, he has stirred up a hornet's nest indeed, but so far he has made a powerful defense by keeping the offensive in his own hands.

In New York there are 22,000 dependent children in private institutions for whose upkeep the city pays. Most of these institutions are conducted under the auspices of the Catholic church, and in some of them a recent investigation found shocking conditions. But what chiefly interested the mayor, and what has led to the latest explosion, is the fact that a determined effort was made to head off the investigation, and, according to the mayor, still greater exertions were employed to hamper it in its work. The investigators finally appealed to the police department for help, and the police did help—too effectually, it seems. For Tuesday a grand jury indicted the city commissioner of charities, who was pushing the investigation, and his counsel on a charge of wire-tapping.

Then the Mayor blew up—in his own words, determined to "rip things wide open." He went before the investigation committee and charged three clergymen of the Catholic church with perjury, criminal libel, subornation to perjury, and obstructing the administration of justice. He started to read to the committee conversations heard over these men's telephone wires which, he said, supported the accusations, but the committee in a panic adjourned, as that was the only way to hush him up. Nevertheless, he got into the record

the charge that Father Farrell, a priest paid \$50 to get a witness away, and that Monsignor Dunn, chancellor of the archdiocese of New York, had altered \$100 to get another away. Then the meeting broke up in confusion and the mayor had to stop.

What makes it more interesting is the fact that the mayor himself is a Catholic, and it is his own spiritual fathers that he is trying to send to the penitentiary. But John Purroy Mitchell is mayor of New York first, and churchman afterward; and he swore on the stand at the hearing that as long as he is mayor in that city the church is not going to lay its hands "on the altar of the state" any more than the state lays its hand on the altar of the church.

The whole country will watch the fight with interest. The mayor may be wrong in his charges on these particular men; but as a champion of the separation of church and state he is everlastingly right, consequently will have ardent and widespread sympathy. After all, New York is only getting what was coming to it for its fatal mistake in letting church and state become confused. The city may have saved some money by contributing to church institutions instead of building its own. We doubt that it has even saved money; but if it has, the hideous mess that it has got into makes any pecuniary saving inexpressibly cheap and worthless. In American church and state are oil and water; and mixing them serves only to spoil both.

## More Holidays and Pay Days.

Statesville Landmark. C. M. Griffith announces his candidacy for the Legislature in Davidson county. In his platform of about a column in the Lexington Dispatch, the fifth plank is:

"I have always thought and still think that there should be one other day besides Sunday as a day for recreation. I shall, if elected, do all in my power to have the Legislature declare Wednesday of each week a universal day for recreation and allow each and every man to hunt, fish or play cards, according to the dictates of his own conscience, or other valuable consideration. I am in favor of making all days except Wednesday and Sundays pay days. I am also in favor of higher wages and lighter work. In fact, fellow-voters, I am for everything and anything that is conducive to ease, comfort and contentment and 'again' anything, and everything that is liable to produce indigestion or colic."

Marriage isn't necessarily a failure, but it's seldom what it ought to be.

Spend less time in apologizing and more in improving your conduct.

## Empress Eugenie Has Reached Age of 90 Years.

When Empress Eugenie of France, recently celebrated her ninetieth birthday at the residence where she passed her exile from her native country she had fair to fulfill a prophecy made by a gypsy woman at Madrid in 1819—that she would live somewhere about 100 years. She enjoys remarkable health, is able to get about the house, although suffering somewhat from lameness for many years. Every day she is taken out in a bath chair to enjoy the open air, of which she is extremely fond.

The empress often entertains visitors, mostly relatives, and with her on her birthday were Prince Victor Napoleon and Princess Clementine and their family. In one wing of her house she has had apartments fitted up for a number of wounded British officers, and she paid a visit to them on the day of her anniversary and spoke to them of their experiences at the front, for she exhibits keen interest in the war. On several occasions she had invited small parties of the less severely wounded among them to dinner, and their presence at her table appears to have had remarkable effect on her spirit.

The story of the gypsy's prophecy is told in connection with a slight accident which occurred to the little Spanish princess when she was only 13. She was a girl of very high spirit and one day, when romping, slid down the stair banister so fast that she dashed her head against a projection and fell unconscious. A gypsy woman who was passing the doorway entered and assisted in restoring the princess, whose mother was bewailing the accident.

"There is no danger," said the gypsy. "The little lady will live to about a hundred. She was born under the open sky on the night of a battle. She will be a queen."

As a matter of fact, whether the gypsy knew it or not, the girl who was to become empress of France was born at Granada in a tent in the palace garden, where her mother had taken refuge during an earthquake.

The princess herself was rather superstitious, and when she was affianced to the emperor, Napoleon III, she was found one day by her mother in the act of working out a symbol of letters and figures, which on investigation turned out to be her own name, Eugenie, with the initials of her future husband, Louis Napoleon Bonaparte, added. She added together the numbers of the letters in accordance with their order in the alphabet, which gave the following result: E-5, U-21, G-7, E-5, N-14, I-19, E-5, L-12, N-14 and B-2, equalling 94.

Ever afterwards she asserted she would live to that age.

## Vote in Union County Democratic Primary June 3rd.

CANDIDATES	N. Monroe	S. Monroe	Wingate	Marshville	Olive Branch	Euto	N. Goose Creek	S. Goose Creek	Unionville	Vance	E. Sandy Ridge	W. Sandy Ridge	Marvin	Vashaw	W. Old Store	Irby's	Armfields	Lanes Creek	Total
<b>Sheriff</b>																			
J. V. Griffith	344	278	91	181	37	17	40	21	72	105	64	46	57	142	109	109	133	105	1949
J. C. Steele	71	32	5	24	9	6	6	5	12	38	32	20	17	17	18	9	23	12	357
<b>Register of Deeds</b>																			
M. C. Long	320	262	87	165	39	23	41	22	75	99	86	60	53	90	115	105	129	115	1884
<b>Commissioners</b>																			
H. T. Baucum	141	70	54	45	19	11	27	13	41	19	5	4	10	21	32	33	50	53	648
G. B. Caldwell	205	136	9	43	3	6	2	1	18	12	7	2	9	48	23	19	14	19	576
R. D. Cuthbertson	30	25	6	17	11	15	2	3	5	9	58	28	22	35	21	6	8	11	312
L. R. Helms	205	215	74	78	30	4	32	21	45	26	30	17	24	56	28	89	59	88	1121
W. L. Hembly	85	50	6	39	1	1	16	2	22	83	68	58	42	20	7	17	7	22	546
J. C. Laney	138	128	25	23	7	14	16	16	10	12	13	4	7	21	50	68	79	43	674
J. C. Morgan	35	24	18	128	13	3	4	2	14	12	3	6	1	31	15	4	28	31	372
J. M. Niven	187	172	48	102	6	7	4	33	30	76	42	73	150	120	66	40	17	1182	
J. W. Ballings	79	47	18	25	5	1	31	6	38	117	26	6	10	42	18	11	32	48	560
G. W. Smith	30	21	12	86	29	19	4	19	19	6	3	10	5	29	2	32	12	330	
Philo Whitley	18	6		1	3	1		5	2	10			1	1	9	8	65	5	135
<b>Coroner</b>																			
T. B. Davis	215	156	44	97	26	9	12	2	34	41	27	19	5	11	19	63	133	92	1095
J. S. Plyler	135	127	36	79	5	12	29	24	36	38	66	44	65	146	104	53	18	22	1040
<b>Surveyor</b>																			
R. W. Elliott	196	145	36	118	14	13	24	18	23	39	39	15	12	100	74	48	81	42	1037
R. E. Helms	159	135	44	55	16	9	18	7	46	50	52	48	60	44	42	67	50	73	975
<b>Recorder</b>																			
M. L. Flow	132	46	22	6	7	5	5	18	15	19	30	5	6	31	79	35	88	20	588
W. O. Lemmond	153	113	39	118	21	9	29	5	56	108	60	52	59	104	30	64	40	79	1139
J. D. McRae	129	151	31	57	14	10	12	5	21	3	9	8	6	23	14	19	28	21	561
<b>Attorney</b>																			
J. C. Brooks	140	69	36	157	35	21	12	21	45	26	35	14	21	62	59	35	71	79	938
R. L. Stevens	241	221	51	38	6	1	30	6	47	83	56	52	27	92	62	76	61	37	1185
<b>Representatives</b>																			
J. A. Austin	46	26	28	28	11	15	5	7	20	6	5	5	5	14	6	1	6	5	239
R. F. Beasley	207	241	59	107	19	18	18	5	46	76	32	36	37	115	58	70	61	53	1258
W. A. Eubanks	94	78	15	54	13	10	17	22	17	5	10	12	25	27	49	83	78	609	
G. S. Lee, Jr.	183	89	20	79	10	15	17	2	20	22	2	6	30	56	35	34	12	24	656
W. G. Long	75	66	21	39	9	2	18	1	19	14	20	17	13	18	48	9	19	11	413
J. N. Price	117	76	27	59	13	5	21	23	33	80	32	45	37	69	64	58	85	57	961
<b>Cotton Weigher—Monroe</b>																			
C. B. Barden	89	76					18	21	36	38	18					29	20		345
J. H. Boyle	30	33					5	1			5					1	3		83
B. L. Clark	15	13					1		4	20									54
G. W. Davis	56	11					9	4	7	6	1						5		99
John Thomas Helms	56	7					7	1	31	37	10					10	1		160
H. M. Presson	54	56					1		19	8	5					14	122		279
P. P. Ross	26	22					4	1	1	23	44					67	1		189
Luther Williams	91	94					2			17	1					1	4		210
<b>Congress</b>																			
Robinson	237	149	70	131	28	15	32	20	40	70	68	34	28	106	104	81	92	43	1333
Varner	18	18	2	14	5	6	1	6	11	2	4	15	11	8	4	9	11	43	224
Spence	52	39	6	31	7	1	12	1	26	6	3	6	5	26	9	7	8	7	283
Finley	64	97	8	17	2	2	2		6	8	9	9	32	14	4	21	24	7	326
<b>Governor</b>																			
Bickett	327	287	80	170	32	17	39	25	64	92	96	55	62	120	107	107	111	59	1859
Daughtridge	43	29	5	16	30	7	6	2	5	13	5	7	12	42	19	10	19	56	303
<b>Secretary State</b>																			
Clark	111	87	20	29	10	7	8	3	5	13	16	13	30	49	29	15	26	41	516
Grimes	141	188	31	125	11	11	34	20	30	46	30	46	23	36	78	66	54	41	1011
Hartness	62	49	12	23	2	5	2	3	17	26	17	1	6	65	9	8	8	18	323
<b>Treasurer</b>																			
Lacey	143	119	15	108	7	8	24	11	17	26	27	41	20	37	74	39	50	31	797
Mann	156	143	48	58	12	13	16	12	33	39	34	19	40	109	44	40	31	73	912
<b>Attorney General</b>																			
Calvert	33	36	5	12	5	2	4	2	5	5	3	1	9	14	21	14	17	3	191
Jones	56	37	10	36		7	4	7	2	10	5	3	2	18	10	13	11	8	239
Manning	333	152	36	96	13	10	17	11	33	37	48	55	39	92	64	40	41	89	1006
Sinclair	60	30	2	5		1	13	1	4	6	3		7	27	15	9	6	6	195
<b>Com. Labor and Printing</b>																			
Dellinger	159	139	29	62	7	10	19	10	11	29	19	24	28	57	59	28	31	64	785
Shipman	102	102	22	76	5	8	16	10	34	17	24	33	26	78	49	42	42	35	721
<b>Corporation Commissioner</b>																			
Boyd	153	110	18	91	15	9	19	14	21	31	54	37	26	38	52	43	39	82	832
Lee	125	149	36	157	9	10	16	8	25	26	15	22	31	105	58	30	46	23	801
<b>Commissioner Agriculture</b>																			
Graham	95	101	48	100	16	14	23	20	15	38	29	50	30	57	67	61	52	29	855
Hobbs	24	16	3	10	2	4	3	1	6	7	5	2	4	11	12	7	8	20	146
McKinnon	162	139	12	39	4	2	9	2	25	11	19	6	27	68	31	7	16	58	637
<b>Insurance Commissioner</b>																			
McClenaghlin	117	101	19	35	4	9	6	2	14	13	9	7	29	41	31	12	18	49	516
Young	167	158	35	115	13	14	28	20	32	46	46	50	31	106	79	61	54	57	1161